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FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY SHLAUDEMAN FROM LUERS

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SUBJECT: CONGRESSIONAL ACTION ON KOCH AMENDMENT

1. HOUSE SENATE CONFEREES TODAY AGREED TO RETAIN THE KOCH AMENDMENT IN THE FY 77 SECURITY ASSISTANCE APPROPRIATIONS BILL.

2. UNTIL THE CONFEREES' LANGUAGE ON TERMINATION OF SECURITY ASSISTANCE TO URUGUAY FOR FY 77 IS KNOWN, WE DO NOT KNOW IF A LEGAL IMPEDIMENT EXISTS FOR USE OF FY 76 FUNDS. NEVERTHELESS, WE PROPOSE THE BUREAU ADOPT A POSITION OF MOVING AS RAPIDLY AS POSSIBLE ON THE FY 76 FMS CREDIT AGREEMENT WHICH HAS TO BE SIGNED BEFORE SEPTEMBER 30. H, D/HA AND PM WILL SUPPORT US.

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3. THE GOU EXPECTS \$3.5 MILLION INSTEAD OF THE \$2.5 MILLION WHICH IS AVAILABLE. THEY WERE NOT ADVISED OF OUR DECISION NOT TO REQUEST THE ADDITIONAL MILLION DURING THE TQ. THEIR EMBASSY, WHICH IS ALREADY AWARE OF DEVELOPMENTS, HAS ALREADY CALLED TO INQUIRE ABOUT AVAILABILITY OF FY 76 FMS MONEY.

4. WITH YOUR CONCURRENCE THE BUREAU WILL PRESS FOR SIGNING OF THE \$2.5 MILLION FY 76 FMS CREDIT AGREEMENT WITH URUGUAY BEFORE SEPTEMBER 30" IF WE DETERMINE THAT THERE IS NO LEGAL IMPEDIMENT ONCE WE SEE THE FINAL LANGUAGE. ROBINSON

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